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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

GARY ORTEGA,
Plaintiff,
v.
LIBERTY LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY
OF BOSTON, et al.,
Defendants.

Case No. 15-cv-00699-JST

SCHEDULING ORDER

The Court hereby sets the following case deadlines pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 16 and Civil Local Rule 16-10:

Event	Deadline
Fact discovery cut-off	12/1/2015
Defendant's opening motion for judgment	1/28/2016
Plaintiff's opening motion and opposition brief	2/11/2016
Defendant's opposition and reply briefs	2/25/2016
Plaintiff's reply brief	3/3/2016
Bench trial	3/21/16 at 2:00 p.m.

Counsel may not modify these dates without leave of court. The parties shall comply with the Court's standing orders, which are available at cand.uscourts.gov/jstorders.

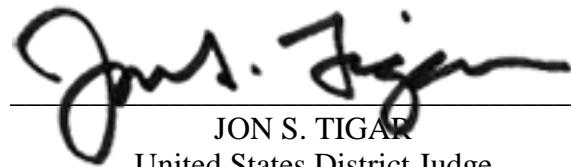
The parties must take all necessary steps to conduct discovery, compel discovery, hire counsel, retain experts, and manage their calendars so that they can complete discovery in a timely

1 manner and appear at trial on the noticed and scheduled dates. All counsel must arrange their
2 calendars to accommodate these dates, or arrange to substitute or associate in counsel who can.

3 Trial dates set by this Court should be regarded as firm. Requests for continuance are
4 disfavored. The Court will not consider any event subsequently scheduled by a party, party-
5 controlled witness, expert or attorney that conflicts with the above trial date as good cause to grant
6 a continuance. The Court will not consider the pendency of settlement discussions as good cause
7 to grant a continuance.

8 IT IS SO ORDERED.

9 Dated: June 10, 2015



JON S. TIGAY

United States District Judge